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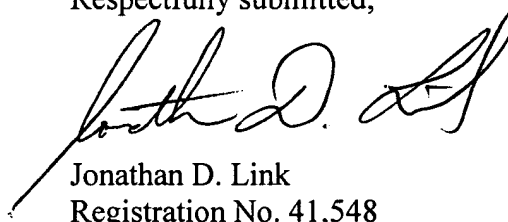
REMARKS

Claims 1-58 are currently pending in the application. By this response, Applicants elect Species 1, Figures 1, 9 and 11, without traverse. Claims 1-6, 14-22, 31-38 and 58 are directed to the elected species.

The Examiner indicates that claims 1, 15, 25 and 32 are generic. However, since a triangular prism of a line-beam-generating optical system recited in claim 25 separates "the collimated light into four light beams," Applicants submit that claim 25 is readable only on Species 2.

Applicants request examination on the merits of the application. Applicant hereby makes a written conditional petition for extension of time, if required. Please charge any deficiencies in fees and credit any overpayment of fees to Attorney's **Deposit Account No. 23-1951**. Any questions may be directed to the undersigned at the phone number below.

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